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SUBJ: NARCOTICS SEIZURES AND ARRESTS

1. FOLLOWING IS A SUMMARY OF RECENT NARCOTICS SEIZURES AND ARRESTS WHICH HAVE COME TO OUR ATTENTION:

2. CUSTOMS OFFICIALS AT DON MUANG AIRPORT ARRESTED FOUR HONG KONG CHINESE MEN AND SEIZED 6 KILOGRAMS OF #4 HEROIN ON APR 21 AS THEY WERE ATTEMPTING TO BOARD A CHINA AIRLINES FLT FOR HONG KONG. ARRESTED WERE WONG PO-CHUEN, WONG YUK MUI, SO KAMS HUI, AND YAU CHANG.

3. ON APR 22, CUSTOMS OFFICIALS AT DON MUANG ARRESTED ANOTHER HONG KONG CHINESE, MRS. CHOW YAU TAI, ON HEROIN SMUGGLING CHARGES, AND SEIZED 2 KILOGRAMS OF #4 HEROIN. MRS. CHOW WAS ATTEMPTING TO BOARD A CHINA AIRLINES FLT FOR HONG KONG.

4. ACCORDING TO BANGKOK PRESS, POLICE FROM THE POLICE NARCOTICS SUPPRESSION CENTER (PNSC) ARRESTED THREE THAIS

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AND SEIZED 1.4 KILOGRAMS OF #4 HEROIN AND 10.4 KILOGRAMS OF COOKED OPIUM ON MAY 2. POLICE IDENTIFIED THE THREE AS MRS. SAENGKHAM RUAN-UN AND PAN KHAMPHU OF CHIANG RAI PROVINCE, AND THOM NARAT OF CHIANG MAI.

5. NARCOTICS POLICE IN CHIANG MAI ARRESTED FOR MEO AND SEIZED 32 KILOGRAMS OF RAW OPIUM ON MAY 3 IN MAE RIM

DIST. ACCORDING TO NEWSPAPER ACCOUNTS, THE SAME FOUR MEN HAD ONCE PREVIOUSLY BEEN ARRESTED ON CHARGES OF COMMUNIST ACTIVITY. POLICE WERE ACTING ON A TIP-OFF.

6. BANGKOK POLICE ARRESTED A POLICE CORPORAL AND A SMALL-TIME MOVIE ACTOR AND SEIZED 3 KILOGRAMS OF #3 HEROIN AND A.38 CALIBER REVOLVER ON MAY 10. THE TWO MEN, POL. CPL. SOMCHAT KHAMAKSON AND SATHIAN SISUK, WERE EVIDENTLY ACTING AS COURIERS. POLICE WERE ACTING ON A TIP-OFF.

7. TWO MORE HONG KONG CHINESE WERE ARRESTED ON MAY 18 AT DON MUANG AIRPORT BY CUSTOMS OFFICIALS WHEN THEY TRIED TO SMUGGLE 2 KILOGRAMS OF HEROIN NUMBER THREE ON BOARD A JORDANIAN AIRLINES FLT TO AMMAN. ARRESTED WERE CHAN WING KIT AND WONG CHING SUI. THE HEROIN WAS CONCEALED IN A FALSE-BOTTOMED SUITCASE.

8. PNSC OFFICERS FROM CHIANG MAI JOINED WITH BORDER PATROL POLICE FROM REG III TO ARREST THREE CHINESE HAW TRAFFICKERS AND SEIZE 2.1 KILOGRAMS OF HEROIN NUMBER FOUR ON MAY 20. ARRESTED WERE LIANG NAM TSAI, JEN KUO HSING, AND LO HSIAO WEN. ONE SUSPECT ESCAPED

9. CUSTOMS OFFICERS AT KHLONG TOEI PORT IN BANGKOK SEIZED 600 KILOGRAMS OF MARIJUANA AND ARRESTED TWO MEN, ONE AN AMERICAN, ON MAY 21. ARRESTED WERE PETER B. RYAN AND RIAN WARANAKUN. THREE HUNDRED KILOGRAMS OF THE DRUG WERE CONCEALED IN HOLLOWED-OUT PLYWOOD SHEETS LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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10 CUSTOMS OFFICER AT DON MUANG ARRESTED HONG KONG CHINESE SIT CHUN KUEN ON MAY 21 FOR POSSESSION OF 2 KILOGRAMS OF #3 HEROIN HIDDEN IN THE FALSO BOTTOM OF HIS SUITCASE. HE WAS EN ROUTE TO SYDNEY, AUSTRALIA.

1. BANGKOK METROPOLITAN POLICE FROM LUMPINI DISTRICT SEIZED 2 KILOGRAMS OF #3 HEROIN AND ARRESTED A SUSPECTED COURIER ON MAY 22. POLICE, TIPPED OFF THAT A DELIVERY WAS TO BE MADE IN THE PARKING LOT OF THE PRESIDENT HOTEL, ARRESTED SOMSAK KANCHANA WHEN IT BECAME APPARENT THAT THE "CUSTOMER" HADGOTTEN COLD FEET. WHITEHOUSE

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